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Remarks

Claims 63-89 were pending in the subject application. By this Amendment, claims 90-100 have been added. The undersigned avers that no new matter is introduced by this amendment. Accordingly, claims 63-100 are currently before the Examiner for consideration and favorable consideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Support for new claims 90-92 can be found, for example, at page 12, lines 4-15, page 13, lines 19-31, and page 16, lines 9-33, of the specification as originally filed. Support for new claims 93-100 can be found, for example, at page 2, lines 6-12, page 6, lines 1-5, page 8, lines 5-7, page 11, lines 27-30, page 12, lines 4-7, page 13, lines 19-31, page 15, lines 1-2, page 16, lines 1-33, page 20, line 30, page 26, lines 20-25, page 27, lines 28-33, page 28, lines 4-33 (Table 1), page 29, lines 1-16, page 31, lines 15-33, and page 32, lines 11-33, and page 33, lines 1-2, of the specification as originally filed.

Additionally, a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 by Dr. Seshi was submitted to the Patent Office with an Amendment and Request for Continued Examination (RCE) on March 10, 2004. However, the applicant inadvertently failed to include Exhibit A (Dr. Seshi's curriculum vitae) which was to accompany the Declaration. Accordingly, Exhibit A is respectfully submitted herewith for the Examiner's consideration.

In view of the foregoing remarks and amendments to the claims, the applicant believes that the currently pending claims are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account 19-0065.

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The applicant invites the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any of this response, or if the Examiner believes a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the subject application to completion.

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Attachments: Amendment Transmittal Letter

Exhibit A (curriculum vitae of Dr. Seshi)